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SUBJECT: UN WORKING GROUP ON CODE OF CONDUCT, MEETING
SCHEDULED AUGUST 7-18

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1. MEETING OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP ON A CODE
OF CONDUCT PRESENTLY AND TENTATIVELY
SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 7-18 HAS YET TO BE FINALLY APPROVED
BY ECOSOC. AS REPORTED REFTEL, THERE IS EXTREME RELUC-
TANCE TO APPROVE THE MEETING AND THE COUNCIL HAS REITERATED
IN INFORMAL PLENARY SESSIONS THAT IN THE FUTURE NO
MEETINGS SHOULD EVER BE SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST. INFORMALLY
A NUMBER OF DELS HAVE SPOKEN STRONGLY AGAINST APPROVING
THE SCHEDULING OF THIS MEETING. WHILE THERE IS BROAD
AGREEMENT THAT THE MEETING MUST BE HELD BEFORE THE GA
GETS INTO FULL SWING, EVERYONE IS TRYING TO FIND SOME
ALTERNATIVE.

2. THE ONLY SPECIFIC PROPOSAL OFFERED WAS DONE SO BY
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VENEZUELAN DEL ON BEHALF OF THE ANDEAN COUNTRIES
(VENEZUELA, CHILE, BOLIVIA, COLUMBIA, EQUADOR,
THAT THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 18-28 BE POSTPONED UNTIL LATE
JANUARY. THIS WOULD PERMIT THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO
TAKE THAT SLOT AND THE CODE OF CONDUCT GROUP TO TAKE
THE SEPTEMBER 5-15. JAZAIRY, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE

OF THE WHOLE, IS STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF HOLDING COW
SEPTEMBER 18-28. HOWEVER, DACOSTA, SECRETARY-GENERAL
FOR UN CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY HAS
AGREED AGAINST POSTPONING PREP COM ON S & T, SAYING THAT
THIS WOULD JOIN PREP COM MEETINGS IN EARLY 1979 TOO CLOSE
TOGETHER AND WOULD JEOPARDIZE THE POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING
A FIFTH PREP COM IN MAY OR JUNE 1979.

3. FRGERMAN AND ITALIAN REPS HAVE BOTH FORMALLY EXPRESSED
RELUCTANCE TO APPROVE AUGUST 7-18 DATE. U.S. HAS NOT
PARTICIPATED IN DISCUSSION. DECISION WILL BE MADE NEXT
WEEK AND WE THINK THAT CHANCE ARE AT PRESENT 50-50.
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